Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Caroline County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

December 19, 2008 to January 15, 2009

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The act seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

Department of Defense/Army/Fort A.P. Hill

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Army Garrison, Fort A. P. Hill hosts the National Boy Scout Jamboree every 4 years. In 2010, the Jamboree will be celebrated by over 275,000 scouts and visitors for 10 days in July and August. The 2010 Jamboree coincides with the 100th year of Scouting in the United States. The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) proposes to perform a series of site and utility upgrades at the Jamboree site to support the upcoming event in 2010. Upgrades include extending water and sewer lines, expanding restrooms, expanding and refurbishing asphalt pads with approximately 200 tons of asphalt, and enhancing swimming pool and beach areas. Two above-ground, temporary pools will be constructed near Bullock Road and 10 existing beaches around Lake Travis will be improved by removing debris and adding approximately 300 tons of clean white sand. The proposal also includes the reconfiguration of Subcamps 14 and 20 in order to add Subcamp 21 to the Heth area. Due to easement enforcement by the Rappahannock Electrical Cooperative, the BSA will be required to relocate or re-route 176 above-ground power poles.

A federal consistency determination has been submitted for this proposal and finds it consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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